Article-44A---Housing-Authorities Section-4-and-23 Annotated-Code-of-Maryland (1982-Replacement-Volume)

BY-repealing-and-reenacting,-with-amendments,

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## BY adding to

Article 44A - Housing Authorities
Section 15(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
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## Preamble

The Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 amended Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code to provide that the tax exempt status of certain bonds issued by a political subdivision of a state is dependent on the approval of the bonds by an elected public official or an elected legislative body after a public hearing. This provision will be applied to bonds issued by housing authorities created pursuant to the Housing Authorities Law. Since the commissioners of such housing authorities are not elected officials, Section 103 of said Code requires that such approval, after public hearing, be given by the governmental unit which is the next highest governmental unit having an elected public official or an elected legislative body and from which the authority of the housing authority is derived.

A housing authority may exercise powers under this article only after a declaration by the governing body of the city or county in which the authority is located that there is a need for an authority to function in the city or county and that the city or county authorizes the authority to function therein.

The purpose of this Act is to establish that, under Maryland law, a housing authority created under Article 44A of the Annotated Code derives its authority from the city or county which has authorized the authority to function, in the manner provided in Section-4 Sections 4 and 23 of that article, and the language in Section-4 Sections 4 and 23 creating a housing authority in each city and county in the State is to be construed as enabling legislation permitting each city and county to